CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY

COMMERCE AND ADMINISTRATION FACULTY COUNCIL

February 17, 1978

Present: Acting Dean L.J. Boyle, Chairman; Professors, S. Alvi, B. Barbieri, G. Brink, J. Democko, A. Dickie, E. Douglas, J. Goodwin, V. Jones, J. Kelly, V. Kirpalani, H. Liebman, D. MacDonald, L. McGown, P. Pasold, C. Potter, H. Ripstein, A. Riding, S. Robbins, H. Tutsch, N. VanZante, D.C. West, R. Wills;
Ms. J. Abbott, Ms. B. Brucha, Ms. B. de Beaupré, Mr. S. Gewurz, Mr. S. Johannson.

1. Call to Order - Closed Meeting

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3. Call to Order - Open Meeting

The Chairman called the Open Meeting to order at 10:45 a.m.

4. Approval of the Agenda

Prof. Barbieri moved that the agenda be approved

Seconded by Ms. B. deBeaupré — Carried

5. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting of Faculty Council

Prof. Douglas moved that the minutes of the Faculty Council meeting of January 13, 1978 be approved.

Seconded by Prof. Jones — Carried

6. Chairman's Remarks

The Chairman remarked that the selection committees for the various department chairmen had completed their deliberations, but he was not at liberty to discuss the results because they are still confidential.

He also informed Council that Dr. Simon would be going to various department meetings during the month of March in order to meet the Faculty. Subsequent to those meetings, he would meet with each department chairman individually.

7. Question Period

There followed a brief question period

8. Reports from Standing Committees

i) Graduate Studies Committee

Prof. Kirpalani noted that there was a proposed regulation submission for Ph.D. Comprehensive Exams which had been discussed, but it is not as yet formalized.

He also remarked that during the January count, there are 156 D.I.A. students compared with 159 last year. There are 41 potential graduates from the programme and 25 potentials from the D.S.A.

8. ii) Undergraduate Curriculum Committee

Prof. Wills informed Council that the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee was looking into a model similar to that of Engineering Faculty, as part of the grade point requisites for possible graduation.

The Minor in Business was looked into, but had no submission to Council as yet.

Department representatives were asked to review course pre-requisites in order to update and in some cases change the sequence of courses.

Prof. Wills informed Council that the next meeting of the Committee was scheduled for February 24, 1978 and at that time he would probably have more input.

Course Evaluation:

Prof. Wills outlined the Committee's recommendations and assured Council that they followed the parameters within which he was to proceed as a result of the motion passed by Faculty Council at the meeting of December 9, 1977.

Large Classes:

Prof. Wills remarked that a sample had been taken of the large classes, and students were given the opportunity to list their pros and cons. The feedback mechanism has been invaluable and will certainly aid in the final analysis of whether or not to continue large classes.

iii) Commerce and Administration Consultative Committee

The Chairman remarked that a meeting of the Commerce and Administration Consultative Committee had been scheduled for February 22, 1978. A most interesting project is under discussion that could prove to be most beneficial and rewarding to the Faculty of Commerce and Administration and the business community and the University as a whole, vis-à-vis visibility.

9. Reports from Faculty representatives on University Committees

i) University Senate

The Chairman remarked that the main issue that had been discussed at Senate was the new procedure for academic re-evaluations, and the major up-coming issues are "Colleges", with a vote expected shortly.

9. ii) Board of Graduate Studies

a) M.B.A.

Prof. Jones informed Council that the advertising campaign was in progress and everything else in the programme was working satisfactorily.

b) D.I.A.

Prof. Kirpalani remarked that Prof. Popp, the programme director was in ill health, but all signals are still go.

c) Ph.D.

Prof. Kirpalani noted that Prof. E.N. West, the programme director was on a recruiting campaign in the Atlantic Provinces.

iii) University Curriculum Co-ordinating Committee

Prof. Wills informed Faculty Council that the deadline dates for calendar submission had been discussed, but that the Faculty of Commerce and Administration will continue to use its own model, which is different from that of the other faculties.

iv) Computer Science Committee

Prof. D.C. West said that they had discussed the likelihood of including English in the curriculum for Engineering graduates.

v) Library Committee

Ms. B. Brucha informed Council that she had resigned from the University, the effective date being March 8, 1978. She also reminded Faculty that the Social Science citation index was available on the computer and further details are available in the 'Thursday Report'.

vi) Senate Committee on Priorities and Resource Allocation

Prof. MacDonald said that there were regularly scheduled meetings and they had most recently submitted a report to Senate on the College proposal.

vii) CASA

The Chairman requested the help of the department chairmen in making an effort to submit applications much earlier than the day upon which they are actually needed in the University Research Office.

10. Business Arising from Previous Meeting

a) D.I.Ac.

Prof. Kirpalani moved that the proposal for the Graduate Diploma in Accountancy Programme be approved as submitted to the Graduate Studies Committee.

Seconded by Prof. Ripstein — Carried

11. New Business

There was none

12. Other Business

i) As per the request from the Concordia Council on Student Life, the following was discussed:

> "one-week study-break before examinations as is the practice at other leading universities".

The various aspects of the request were discussed, but the general consensus was that possible extension of the academic year can have detrimental effects on students who would be on the job-market. The fact that we now complete our year earlier than other universities, does give our graduates more flexibility and perhaps accessability.

13. Next Meeting

The next meeting of Council will be held on Friday, March 10, 1978 at 9:30 a.m., SGW Campus, H-769.

14. Adjournment

Prof. Douglas moved that the meeting be adjourned

Seconded by Ms. J. Abbott — Carried

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

L.J. Boyle, Chairman

P.Pasold, Secretary